# **Coast Guard Permit (U.S.)**

#### U.S. COAST GUARD BRIDGE PERMIT

The Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and the General Bridge Act of 1946 give the U.S. Coast Guard the authority to protect navigable waters of the United States. Navigable waters are those waters that at some time, in the past, present, or future are used to transport interstate or foreign commerce. See the attached list for navigable waterways that will require an individual Coast Guard Permit in Indiana. Protection of navigable waters is accomplished by regulating bridge-related activities. The 9th and 2nd Coast Guard Districts regulate activities for the State of Indiana. The jurisdiction of each district is shown on the attached map.

#### **BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION**

In general, a bridge may not be constructed across any of the listed navigable waters until the location and plans have been approved by the U.S. Coast Guard. Approval is shown by issuance of a Bridge Permit.

#### **BRIDGE REPAIR**

Often bridge repairs involving only the replacement of worn or obsolete parts may be accomplished without obtaining a Bridge Permit, but the Coast Guard should be consulted at least 30 days before initiating such activities.

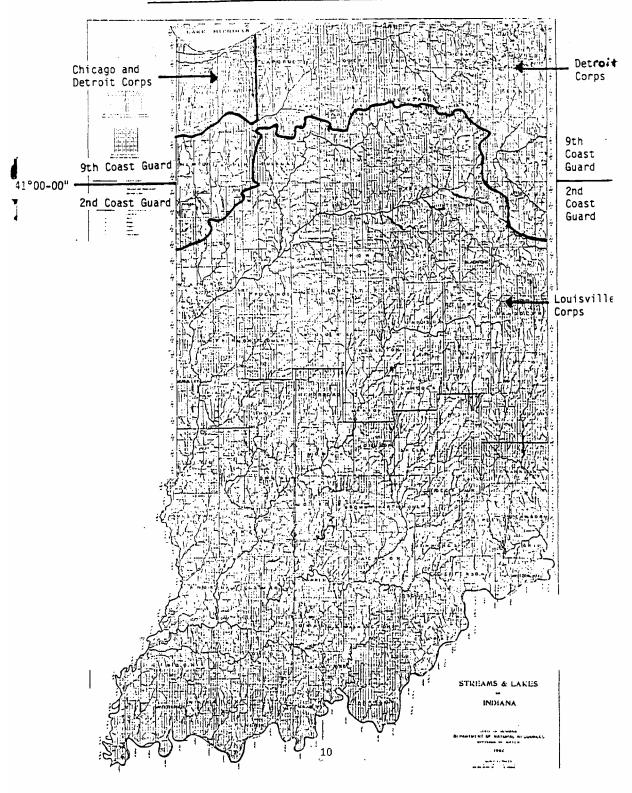
# BRIDGE MAINTENANCE OR ACTIVITIES INCIDENTAL TO CONSTRUCTION

Bridge painting, cleaning, activities using suspended platforms, concrete reformation, and barges do not require a Bridge Permit, unless performed as a part of bridge construction. However, the Coast Guard will issue a letter describing how such activities are to be (or should be) performed. As such, the Coast Guard will require notice at least 30 days before initiating such activities.

#### **CONDITIONS**

All U. S. Coast Guard Bridge Permits include conditions. These conditions have the force of law. They must be understood and complied with. They are currently being included in the letting package, and also should be available at the construction site at all times. It is the project engineer's responsibility to be familiar with these conditions, and comply with them at all times. If there are conditions that you cannot feasibly comply with, contact the Division of Operations Support for assistance. Do not ignore any conditions. Remember, if you have one permit for an activity, you are not exempted from obtaining all other required permits for the same work. Make sure you have obtained all other required permits for the same work.

# COAST GUARD AND CORPS OF ENGINEERS DISTRICT JURISDICTIONAL MAP



## COAST GUARD BRIDGE PERMITS NAVIGABLE WATERS

### SECOND COAST GUARD DISTRICT

<u>Waterway</u> <u>Upper Limit</u>

Miami River (Great) Only on bend of river that is

in Indiana from about mile

0.5 to mile 1.5

Indian Creek Mile 4.8

Wabash River Mile 441.9

White River Junction East Fork and West

Fork, Mile 51.6

Crooked Creek Mile 7.7

Little Blue River Mile 10.6

Anderson River Mile 6.0

McFadden Creek Mile 2.3

Pigeon Creek Mile 5.9

Little Oil Creek Mile 4.4

Little River Mile 20.2

Patoka River Mile 8.0

# NINTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT

Waterway Upper Limit
Grand Calumet River Mile 23.9

Indiana Harbor Canal Mile 2.9

(Lake George Branch)

Indiana Harbor Canal Mile 3.9

Little Oil Creek Mile 2.7

Trail Creek Mile 1.5